



Panhandle Region

MAPS FOR GENERAL REFERENCE ONLY



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!™

Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.

General Fishing Season for the Panhandle Region

All Waters Open All Year

Except as modified in Panhandle Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 10-11.

Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Panhandle Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Panhandle Region except as modified in Panhandle Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 10-11. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit after the second day of the season.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout limit is 0, catch-and-release

Burbot

- Burbot limit is 6

Chinook Salmon (*land-locked*)

- Chinook Salmon limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 15

Sturgeon

- Fishing for or targeting sturgeon in the Kootenai River is illegal

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout *includes Brown Trout, Cutthroat Trout, Golden Trout, Lake Trout, Rainbow Trout, Splake, Arctic Grayling, trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)*

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined
- Does not include Bull Trout and Brook Trout which are listed separately

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25

All Other Fish Species *includes bullfrogs & crayfish*

- No bag, size or possession limit

Check for potential fish consumption advisories. See Page 51.

Special Rule Waters for the Panhandle Region (see Pages 10-11 for details)

Anderson Lake	Gamble (Gamlin) Lake	Round Lake (Bonner County)
Antelope Lake	Gold Creek	St. Joe River and tributaries
Avondale Lake	Granite Creek and tributaries	St. Maries River and tributaries
Blue Lake (Priest River Drainage)	Granite Lake	Shepherd Lake
Blue Lake (Coeur d' Alene Drainage)	Hayden Creek and tributaries	Sinclair Lake
Bonner Lake	Hayden Lake	Smith Lake
Brush Lake	Jewel Lake	Spirit Lake
Chase Lake	Kelso Lake	Spokane River
Clark Fork River and tributaries	Kootenai River	Trestle Creek and tributaries
Coeur d' Alene Lake	Lower Glidden Lake	Upper Priest Lake and tributaries
Coeur d'Alene River and tributaries	Mirror Lake	
Coeur d' Alene River, Little North Fork and tributaries	Moyie River	
Coeur d' Alene River, North Fork and tributaries	Pack River and tributaries	
Coeur d' Alene River, South Fork and tributaries	Pend Oreille Lake	
Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation	Pend Oreille River	
Dawson Lake	Perkins Lake	
Deep Creek and tributaries	Priest Lake and tributaries	
Freeman Lake	Priest River and tributaries	
	Robinson Lake	
	Roman Nose Lake #3	

Special Rule Waters for the Panhandle Region

For waters not listed below, see Page 9 for fishing season, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Panhandle Region.

Anderson Lake

(includes the channel to the Coeur d'Alene River)

- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Antelope Lake - Electric motors only

Avondale Lake - Electric motors only

Blue Lake (Priest River drainage) - Electric motors only

Blue Lake (Coeur d'Alene drainage; includes the channel to the Coeur d'Alene River)

- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Bonner Lake - Electric motors only

Brush Lake - Electric motors only

Chase Lake - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Clark Fork River

Section: Entire river upstream of a straight line extending north of county boat dock (near mouth of Johnson Creek) to Bear Paw Point (southwest tip of Denton Slough)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- No limit on lake trout

Clark Fork River tributaries

(includes Lightning Creek and tributaries)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- No bait allowed Dec. 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend

Coeur d'Alene Lake (includes Benewah and Chatcolet lakes, Coeur d'Alene River "Chain Lakes" and all tributaries to Coeur d'Alene Lake)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Lake Creek and tributaries, closed to fishing

Coeur d'Alene River and tributaries

Section: From the mouth to the confluence of the North Fork and South Fork

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Coeur d'Alene River, Little North Fork and tributaries

Section: From the mouth upstream to Laverne Creek

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Section: From and including Laverne Creek upstream

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Coeur d'Alene River, North Fork and tributaries

Section: From the confluence of the North Fork and South Fork upstream to Yellow Dog Creek

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Section: From and including Yellow Dog Creek upstream

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Coeur d'Alene River, South Fork and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation - Contact the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Office

Dawson Lake - Electric motors only

Deep Creek and tributaries

- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend

Freeman Lake - Electric motors only

Gamble (Gamlin) Lake - Electric motors only

Gold Creek (Pend Oreille Lake; includes North and South Gold creeks and tributaries)

- Closed to fishing

Granite Creek and tributaries (Pend Oreille Lake)

- Closed to fishing

Granite Lake - Electric motors only

Hayden Creek and tributaries

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing

Hayden Lake

- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 20 inches
- Crappie limit is 6, none under 10 inches

Jewel Lake - Electric motors only

Kelso Lake - Electric motors only

Kootenai River

- Trout limit is 2, no Rainbow or Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches
- Sturgeon - closed to fishing

Lower Glidden Lake - Electric motors only

Mirror Lake - Electric motors only

Moyie River

- Trout limit is 2

Pack River and tributaries *(from the mouth at Burlington Northern Railroad Bridge upstream; includes Grouse Creek and tributaries and Rapid Lightning Creek and tributaries)*

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- No bait allowed December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- Fishing closed 100 yards upstream and downstream of Grouse Creek Falls (on Grouse Creek)

Pend Oreille Lake *(includes Sand, Strong, Riser, Bayview, and Mirror creeks and their tributaries)*

- No limit on the number of fishing rods per angler while fishing from a boat
- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches
- No limit on Lake Trout, Lake Trout can be possessed in the field or in transit with head removed
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Mouths of Gold, North Gold, Granite and Trestle creeks are closed to fishing for a radius of 100 yards into the lake
- Rainbow Trout limit is 2, only 1 over 20 inches

Pend Oreille River

(from railroad bridge at Sandpoint downstream to Idaho-Washington border, including tributaries and sloughs to the edge of flat water)

- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches
- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Perkins Lake - Electric motors only**Priest Lake and tributaries** *(including Thorofare)*

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Kokanee limit is 6

Priest River and tributaries

(from its mouth to Priest Lake)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Robinson Lake - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 6, only two may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Roman Nose Lake #3 - Electric motors only**Round Lake (Bonner County)** - Electric motors only**St. Joe River and tributaries** *(except St. Maries River)*

Section: From Coeur d'Alene Lake upstream to and including the North Fork St. Joe River

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Section: From the North Fork St. Joe River upstream

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

St. Maries River and tributaries

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 2, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2

Shepherd Lake - Electric motors only**Sinclair Lake** - Electric motors only**Smith Lake** - Electric motors only**Spirit Lake**

- Kokanee limit is 25

Spokane River and tributaries

Section: From state line upstream to Post Falls Dam

- Trout limit is 2

Section: From Post Falls Dam upstream to Coeur d'Alene Lake

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Trestle Creek and tributaries

- Closed to fishing

Upper Priest Lake and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Lake Trout
- Kokanee limit is 6



Fishing & Boating Access Sites

For a complete guide to Idaho Fish and Game's access sites and other resources for anglers go to:

idfg.idaho.gov/fish/access-guide